

“Missiles of Oklahoma” Seminars Planned in October at SWOSU

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Michael Dobbs

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Southwestern Oklahoma State University is hosting a free two-night “Missiles of Oklahoma” seminar in October featuring nationally-known author Michael Dobbs and SWOSU history instructor Landry Brewer. The event coincides with the 55th anniversary of the Cuban Missile Crisis.

Dobbs and Brewer will speak at the Weatherford campus on Thursday, October 26, at 7 p.m. in the Fine Arts Center. Brewer will speak at the Sayre campus on Monday, October 16, at 7 p.m. in the Administration Building meeting room.

The seminar’s genesis started with Brewer’s research and presentation on the several Atlas missile sites, which were active in southwestern Oklahoma during the early 1960’s. These missiles went on active alert during the crisis in October 1962.

Dobbs will speak about the Cuban Missile Crisis. He is a journalist and author of a best-selling book about the Cuban missile crisis, [*One Minute to Midnight: Kennedy, Khrushchev, and Castro on the Brink of Nuclear War*](#). As a reporter for *The Washington Post*, Dobbs witnessed anti-communist revolutions and wars in Yugoslavia, Poland, China and the Soviet Union and has written several books.

The public is invited to one or both seminars. For additional information, contact Brewer at (580) 928.5533 extension 2160.